

DNREC Reminds Hunters to Remove Portable Deer Stands from State Wildlife Areas

A portable deer stand on a state wildlife area. Such stands must be removed by hunters who own them by Feb. 15 or they will be confiscated by DNREC.

With Delaware's 2021/2022 deer hunting season having come to a close, hunters are reminded to remove their portable deer stands from state wildlife areas by Tuesday, Feb. 15, the [Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control](#) announced today. Any deer stands found on state wildlife areas after that date will become the property of DNREC.

Hunters are allowed to set up portable deer stands on some state wildlife areas each year starting Aug. 1, but must remove these temporary stands soon after the last of Delaware's deer seasons close. Placement of a temporary deer stand on a state wildlife area does not provide exclusive rights for a hunter to hunt from that stand. Under state wildlife area rules, portable deer stands cannot be nailed or bolted to a tree and hunters are prohibited from cutting any vegetation or branches to attach to a stand or clear shooting paths.

For more information, please contact the DNREC Division of Fish and Wildlife's Wildlife Section at 302-739-9912.

About DNREC

The Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control protects and manages the state's natural resources, protects public health, provides outdoor recreational opportunities, and educates Delawareans about the environment. The DNREC [Division of Fish and Wildlife](#) conserves and manages Delaware's fish and wildlife and their habitats, and provides

fishing, hunting, wildlife viewing and boating access on nearly 68,000 acres of public land. For more information, visit the [website](#) and connect with @DelawareDNREC on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) or [LinkedIn](#).

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